

# STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

State Board of Education

FROM:

Jeremy M. Hughes., Chairman

SUBJECT:

Adoption of a Resolution Honoring Heidi Capraro,

2004-2005 Michigan Teacher of the Year

Attached is a resolution in honor of the 2004-2005 Michigan Teacher of the Year, Heidi Capraro, who has represented Michigan teachers during the current school year.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 31, 2005, honoring Ms. Heidi Capraro, 2004-2005 Michigan Teacher of the Year.

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#### Resolution

## HEIDI L. CAPRARO 2004-2005 Michigan Teacher of the Year

WHEREAS, Heidi L. Capraro graduated from Eastern Michigan University in 1989 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Group Sciences and received a Master of Arts Degree in Middle School Curriculum in 1994 from Eastern Michigan University; and

WHEREAS, Heidi L. Capraro began her employment with the Northville Public Schools in 1990 as a sixth grade science teacher; and

WHEREAS, Heidi L. Capraro was awarded the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching in 2002; and

WHEREAS, throughout Michigan and across the country, teachers like Mrs. Capraro open children's minds to the magic of ideas, knowledge, and dreams; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Capraro is the National Middle Level Science Teachers Association President-Elect; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education has continually supported teachers with several quality initiatives, including the Michigan Teacher of Year program, the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, and the Milken National Educator Award; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education, through its task force on Ensuring Excellent Educators, recognizes the need for elevating the profile of the teaching profession; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education honored Heidi L. Capraro as the 2004-2005 Michigan Teacher of the Year, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Heidi L. Capraro and the thousands of educators around the great State of Michigan for their outstanding work; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education supports all efforts, training, and resources available to our state's educators so that they may continue to educate and positively influence the children of today as they become the leaders of tomorrow.